

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

OCTOBER 4, 2021

6:00 P.M.

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 330 North Main Suite 200, Rushville Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

**PRAYER:** Council President Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** Brad Berkemeier, and Aaron Gurley answered roll call. Elton Marzon answered roll call via zoom. Bob Bridges arrived later in the meeting. Mike Daubenspeck was not present.

**PUBLIC HEARING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:** Copley reported that the City of Rushville is asking for additional appropriations as advertised. She asked for questions or comments. There were none. Berkemeier moved to close the public hearing. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Berkemeier moved to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2021 meeting as presented. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Pavey gave the following report:

1. Tomorrow he and Brian Sheehan will be going to the AIM conference. They will receive the award for quality of place for the Overlook project. This will be the second time the City has received this award. They will also be giving a class in this regard.
2. The award winners for the CCMG will be announced in October.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Council President Berkemeier said the budget workshop last week was very helpful.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **READi Designation** – The application was turned In on 9/29. There should be a press release tomorrow. We are pushing for support for the community center.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – We had our last concert the weekend of Willkie Days.
- **Boulders** – The first permit has been pulled. We closed on the first lot.
- **Diversity & Inclusion Council** – The rain delayed the golf outing for about one hour. In spite of the rain it was well attended.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Fire** – Chief Munson reported that the Board of Works approved to hire Jeremy Godsey as a paramedic.

**Animal** – Director Hanna reported that the Board of Works approved to hire Mary Orr to replace Morgan Breese. Cleland's last day will be October 11.

**Police** – Chief Tucker reported that Trick or Treating will be on the 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-8.

Todd Click has announced his retirement date as December 31, 2021.

**Street** – Commissioner Miller said heavy trash went well. They only needed 16 dumpsters. Miller thanked the City Utilities for their help.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** Councilman Gurley thanked the City for their help with the Middle School dance at the Farmers Market. He said this was a good venue and he was pleased that they could use it.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Indiana READi Application** – Turned in 9/29/2021.
2. **Annexation of Former Wal-Mart Retention/Detention Pond 1850 N Main; Ordinance 2021-19** – Berkemeier moved to approve Ordinance 2021-19. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **North Washington Street Development** – We are waiting for the property to be resurveyed and we have ordered an appraisal.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **INTAT SB-1** - Kevin Chestnut and David Reed were present representing Intat. Chestnut informed Council that the Non TIF Area will retain the number of employees. Equipment to be installed will be approximately \$2.3 million. Berkemeier made a motion to approve Declaratory Resolution Non-TIF 2021-26 as presented. Marzon seconded the motion.

Declaratory Resolution 2021-27 –TIF Area - Chestnut said they would retain the number of employees. The estimated cost of equipment is \$4.1 million. Berkemeier made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-27. Marzon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **Ordinance 2021-30 Setting Salaries of Elected Officials 2022 – Ordinance 2021-31 Setting Salaries for City Employees 2022** – Berkemeier moved to table until the next meeting.

3. **Ordinance 2021-28 Budget Adoption 2022** – Berkemeier moved to approve Ordinance 2021-28. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Ordinance 2021-29 Additional Appropriations** – Berkemeier moved to approve Ordinance 2021-29. Marzon seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Resolution 2021-28 M1 and M2 Proposed Permitted Uses** – Councilman Berkemeier informed Council that this was mainly prepared to clean up language and make it clearer. Also, the intent is to put a cap on time involved. It will alleviate a hold up. If something was passed today the final confirmation would come back in 60 days. Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2021-28. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. **Amend Ordinance 2021-14 American Rescue Plan** – Water & Sewer Projects (EC 5.1-5.15) – Mayor Pavey said when we spend money we have to amend our resolution until all is spent. We will be spending some of the funding to clean up drainage areas in downtown parking lots. We will revise for the next meeting.

*Councilman Bridges arrived at 6:35 p.m.*

7. **Mass Grading Permit/Land Disturbance – Resolution 2021-29** - Newhouse will update the fee schedule. This will give permission to be able to move dirt before the final permit is complete. They will be required to submit an erosion control plan. Fee - \$150 per acre. Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2021-29. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.
8. **Driveway Permit/Application – Resolution 2021-30** – This resolution replaces the old curb cut ordinance. Berkemeier made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-30. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried.
9. **Code Enforcement Focus Topic** – Director Jenkins informed Council that he will be setting up a meeting with derby car owners the City ordinance will be discussed.

**COVID-19** – Mayor Pavey reported numbers from the dashboard for the state. It showed admissions were 85 unvaccinated -1; ICU 1 out of 31 are fully vaccinated; deaths 1-7 of those not vaccinated. We need to encourage vaccinations.

**CLAIMS AND AUGUST 2021 BANK RECONCILIATION** – Berkemeier moved to approve the claims and the August 2021 bank reconciliation. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** None.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before Council; Berkemeier moved to adjourn. Gurley seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

